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Full-stack web developer with a bachelor's degree, a keen eye for bugs, and a commitment for clear, concise technical communication. My background in writing keeps me innovative as well as extremely scrupulous with details. Meanwhile, my experience in performing comedy instills a penchant for community-building and empathy that is desirable for any team of diverse people who share a common goal.

## Technical Skills

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Javascript (ES6), React, Redux, Ruby, Rails, HTML, CSS, Git, GraphQL, PostgreSQL, Adobe Suite (Photoshop, Premiere)

## Technical Projects

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### My DnD, [Github](#) | [Demo](#)

*Dungeons and Dragons character creator with fully editable character sheet to update as the game progresses.*

- Modeled custom database schema with Active Record, Postgres, and Ruby on Rails
- Leveraged GraphQL to query an external API and dynamically display hundreds of options to the user
- Utilized the Redux Toolkit to manage a character's attributes in a controlled manner throughout the application

### ApartmentHunter, [Github](#) | [Demo](#)

*Apartment searching application with Google Maps API implementation*

- Developed a Javascript/React frontend, with a Rails/Active Record/Postgres backend to allow user to view and save apartment listings in the zip code of their choice
- Created a tiered filter/sort system, so users can find the apartment that best matches their preferences
- Implemented React 'State' to limit external API requests and manage user favorites

### Middle School Madness, [Github](#) | [Demo](#)

*Game where players navigate a maze, fight enemies, and use items to escape the horrors of middle school!*

- Crafted movement logic within a grid system to check for objects/enemies and manipulate the DOM accordingly
- Implemented a scrolling text bar for item descriptions and crafted a battle quotes for enemies to randomly choose
- Conditionally rendered various context dependent 'scenes' on the SPA

## Professional Experience

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### Upright Citizen's Brigade

Writer

New York, NY

November 2019 — April 2020

- Collaborated with a team of actors and writers to produce a monthly live comedy show
- Achieved 100% ticket sales each month with quality productions and marketing tactics
- Communicated proper boundaries with directors to maintain a pleasant and respectful performance environment

### ABC Kitchen

Server

New York, NY

December 2018 — March 2020

- Increased personal sales by 20% by utilizing in-depth knowledge of both sales tactics and food-sourcing information
- Demonstrated a professionalism and efficiency that resulted in a quick promotion from Backwaiter to Server
- Hosted large scale company events of 50+ people, complete with prix fixe menus and drink service

## Education

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### Flatiron School

Full Stack Web Development, Ruby on Rails and Javascript programming bootcamp

New York, NY

December 2020 — April 2021

### Boston University

Bachelor of Music in Music Theory and Composition

Boston, MA

May 2018

- Graduated Magna Cum Laude (3.87 GPA)